LIST OF SPECIES

Osmunda regalis Dryopteris thelypteris Lorinseria areolata Pinus taeda Chamaecyparis thyoides Ruppia maritima Agrostis hyemalis Ammophila arenaria Capriola dactylon Poa pratensis Festuca octoflora Festuca myuros Scirpus americanus Carex straminea Juncus dichotomus Smilax rotundifolia Iris versicolor Sisyrinchium angustifolium Myrica carolinensis Rumex hastatulus Hibiscus Moscheutos Viola primufolia Opuntia Opuntia Raimannia humifusa Asclepias incarnata Convolvulus Sepium Bignonia radicans Plantago virginica

Rumex crispus Polygonum prolificum Persicaria hydropiperoides Persicaria punctata Salsola kali Cerastium vulgatum Sagina decumbens Ranunculus sceleratus Lepidium virginicum Potentilla monspeliensis Rubus cuneifolius Crataegus crus-galli Padus virginiana (serotina) Trifolium dubium Trifolium arvense Linum usitatissimum Toxicodendron radicans Acer rubrum Vitis labrusca Parthenocissus quinquefolia Cynthia virginica Leontodon taraxacum Ambrosia elatior Solidago sempervirens Baccharis halimifolia Antennaria plantaginifolia Senecio tomentosus Cirsium horridulum

NOTES ON SOUTHERN WOODY PLANTS

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Vaccinium Margarettae sp. nov. A shrub forming large patches by means of underground stems; branches 4–6 dm. high, the numerous short spreading or nearly horizontal branchlets crowded at their summits. Season's twig soft pubescent, gla-

brous the second year. Leaves deciduous, oblong or narrowly oblong, rarely obovate, obtuse or acute at each end, 2 to 3.5 cm. long, 0.7 to 1.8 cm. wide, gravish green as they unfold, dark green when mature, turning dark crimson after frost, permanently soft gray pubescent beneath, entire, apiculate, sessile or nearly so. Racemes, axillary or terminating the short branchlets, I to 2.5 cm. long, 4- to 7-flowered, pubescent. Flowers appearing the last week in April or early in May, when the leaves are about one half grown, cylindrous, 7-8 mm. long, pale greenish-yellow, striped especially in the bud with red, nodding on short pedicels; calyx lobes short, turning red after corolla falls. Fruit black and shining, about 6 mm. thick, ripens in July after that of V. vacillans Sol. Flowers appear 10 days after those of V. vacillans, with which it grows in rosemary, pine, and mixed oak woodland at altitudes of 450-600 m. in the mountains of Georgia and South Carolina where locally abundant. W. W. A., Oconee Co., S. C., May, 1912; Rabun Co., Ga., July, 1912; May 10, 1917; October 1, 1917. Representative specimens are deposited in U.S. National Herbarium; Field Columbian Museum; Charleston, S. C., Museum; Pittsburgh Museum; and Herbarium of Columbia University.

I have recently (Bul. Charl. Mus. 13:26, April, 1917) noted noted that the name *Quercus pagoda* Raf.* should replace that of *Q. pagodaefolia* (Ell.) Ashe.† A change also seems necessary in the case of the combination *Quercus hybrida* which I lately discussed (Proc. Soc. Am. For. 11, 1, 89, 1916) as referring to the oak described by Michaux (Ch. 10, pl. 18, 1801) in case this form is held as of specific rank, which in my opinion it should be. The correct name of this tree appears to be:

Quercus obtusa (Willd.) n. comb.

The synonymy is as follows:

- Q. laurifolia hybrida Mx. Ch. 10, pl. 18 (1801), not Q. hybrida Houba Chên. L' Am. Sept. 200 t. (1887).
- O. laurifolia B. obtusa Willd. Sp. Pl. 4, p. 1, 428 (1809).

* Alsogr. Am. 23 (1838).

† N. C. Handbook (1896).

- Q. aquatica y elongata Ait. Hort. Kew. Ed. 2, 5, 290 (1813), not Q. elongata Willd. Nov. Act. Soc. Scrut. Borol. 3: 400. 1801.
- Q. laurina Raf. Als. Am. (1838), not Q. laurina Humb. & Bonp.
 Pl. Aeq. 2, 32 (1809).

It is doubtful whether Aiton's *Q. aquatica y elongata* should be included in this synonomy since the plate to which he refers (Ab. Ins. Ga. tab. 59) clearly represents a not unusual form of of O. nigra individual trees of which occasionally bear, sometimes exclusively, such foliage in place of the usual spatulate 3-lobed form. Bartram's Q. hemispherica is undoubtedly this tree (see Elliott, Sk. 2, 596), but he distinguishes it (Tr. pp. 318, 392, 472, Ed. 1792) from Q. nigra (aquatica) and from Q. phellos as well as from O. laurifolia (to which he refers as Q. dentata "narrow leaved winter green oak"). He seems to have been the first to separate these forms from Q. nigra. Michaux (Chêncs II) incorrectly refers Bartram's O. dentata and O. hemispherica to forms of *Q. nigra*, notwithstanding that he gives (t. 20, fig. 2) a good figure of dentata even showing the clustered buds and lanceolate leaves, broadest when entire (as they are on the slower growing wood) at or near the middle.

This tree is undoubtedly closely related to *Q. laurifolia* as generally understood, but it can be readily separated from it by the leaves of vigorous shoots, which in *Q. laurifolia* are irregularly toothed, while in *Q. obtusa* the margins are entire. The cup also has a very pointed base, while the base of the cup in *Q. laurifolia* is flat. It occurs and is not uncommon along the edges of and in the drier portions of hardwood swamps from southeastern Virginia near McKenney, Dinwiddie Co., southward, being found in the southern part of North Carolina 60 miles inland along the Lumber River in Robeson County. Under the name water oak it is generally planted in coastal towns, as in New Berne and Wilmingon, N. C., as a shade tree. *Q. laurifolia* in this section is restricted to the immediate vicinity of the coast and is so strikingly different from *Q. obtusa* oak as to be separated in places by local names.

Quercus leucophylla n. comb., Q. rubra leucophylla Ashe (Bul.

Charl. Mus. l. c.). A more careful consideration of this form seems to indicate that its very deeply sinuate sun leaves, the difference in form between the shade and sun leaves and the larger fruit and loose white-oak-like bark are characters which are sufficiently strongly marked and of a constancy to entitle it to specific rank.

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Carya ovalis megacarpa n. comb. (*C. megacarpa* Sarg. T. & S. 2, 201). An examination of material of *Carya megacarpa* Sarg. from the type locality, Rochester, Monroe County, N. Y., shows that this tree exhibits close affinity to *C. ovalis* (Wang.) Sarg. by having the lower surface of the 5 to 7 leaflets dotted with resinous globules, by having thick, glabrous, red-brown twigs, and short (though larger) ovate and obtuse buds. The only distinguishing characters seem to be in the fruit and buds. The fruit of *C. ovalis* is extremely variable, Dr. Sargent having distinguished four forms, of which the variety *obovatis* approaches *C. megacarpa*. The buds also vary, becoming smaller and inseparable from those of *C. ovalis*, and in a form from the coastal plain of Georgia, a specimen of which has been examined by Dr. Sargent and referred to *C. megacarpa*, both buds and twigs are as slender as in *C. porcina* (Mx.) Nutt.

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